

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
E	257

Town Lexington

Address 1106 Mass. Ave.

Name Peletiah P. Pierce House

Present use Residence

Present owner Wyman, Corydon

Description: early 19th c. ?

Date 1830's ? (pos. remodelled older)

Source Hudson, Hist. of Lex.

Style Federal / Greek Revival

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Shingle

Outbuildings (describe) milk shed

Other features Elegant Grk. Rev. door (compare E. branch Lex. Libr.) window left gable and Col. Rev.) 2 chimneys with multiple

additions, alterations.

Altered remodelled / doorway yes added Date 1834

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre _____ Over one acre x

Approximate frontage 150'

Approximate distance of building from street

20'

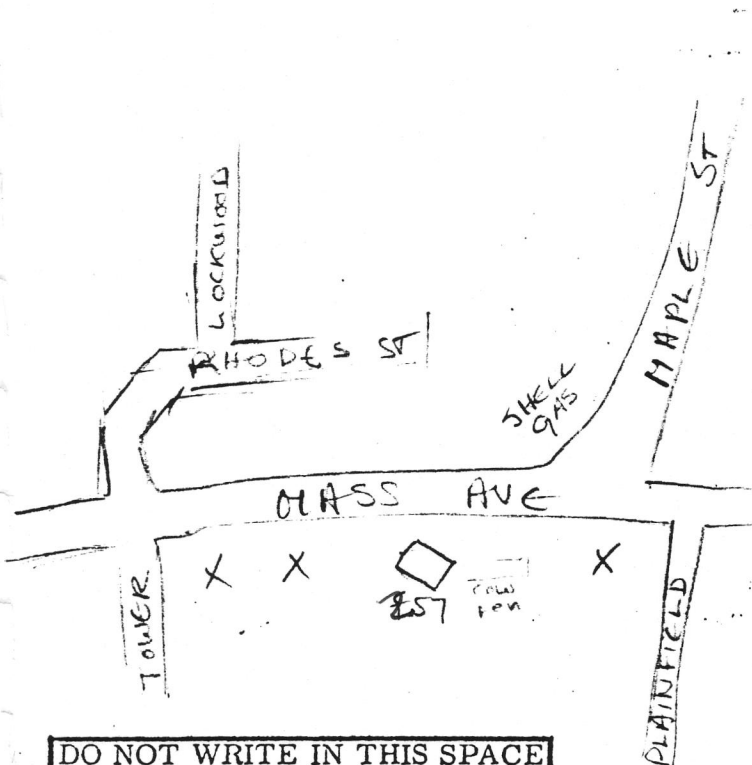
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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USGS Quadrant _____

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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Peletiah P. Pierce

Original use Farmhouse

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>x</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ Humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>x</u>				

9. Historical Significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Foundation concrete

Porches to left added

Suggest 18s0's alterations to older 5 over 4 farmhouse 6 x 6 windows. P. P. Pierce married in 1834.

Note- stone walled cow pen set into hill, graite gate posts still standing. P.B. Pierce was one of Lexington's biggest dairy farmers.

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Miss Barry (E-50), also a Pierce house, says house was expanded in 19th century by raising roof rather than by adding ells & additions at ground level.



FIG. 5. PLATE XXIX, from *The Practice of Architecture*, 1833, by Asher Benjamin.

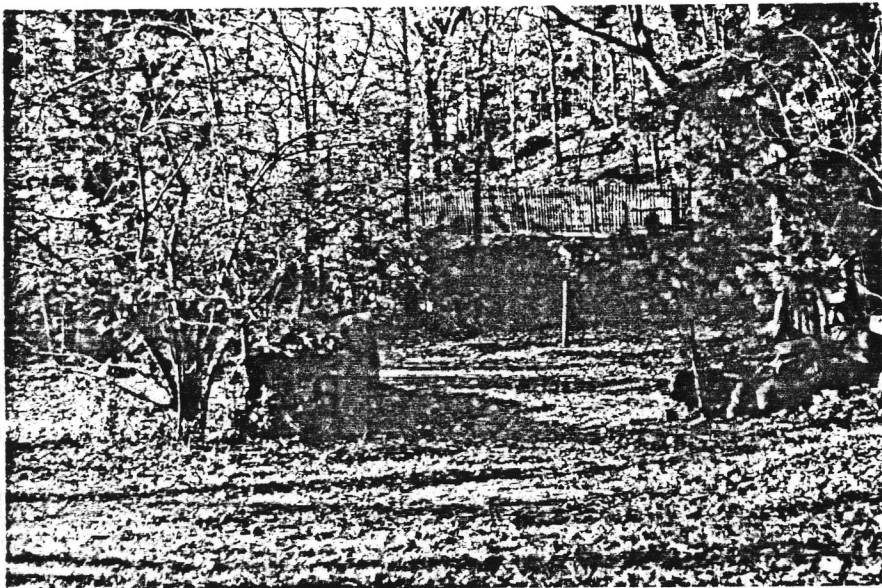
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FORM F - STRUCTURE

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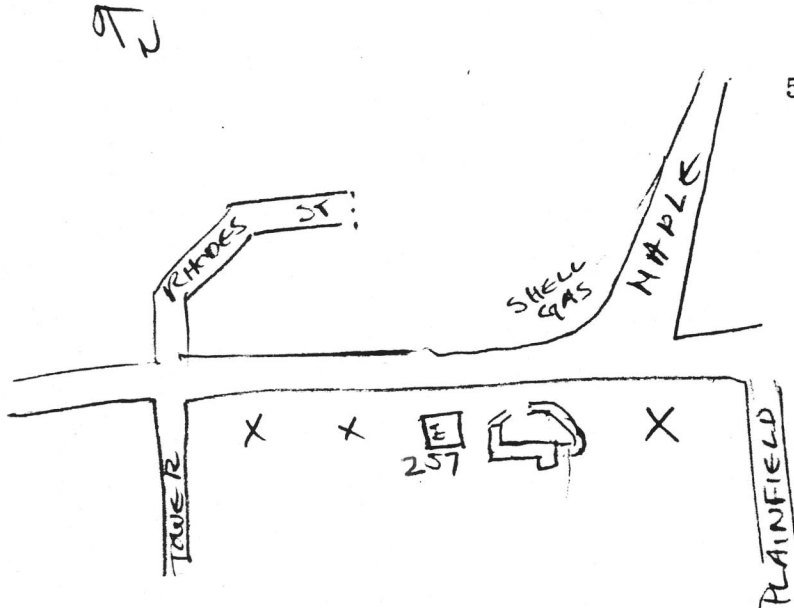


n Lexington
1106 Mass. Ave.
e adjacent to Peletiah P. Pierce house
(MHC# 257)
ent use none
ent owner Wyman, Corydon

of structure (check one)

se	_____	pound	_____
l	_____	powder house	_____
	_____	street	_____
fort	_____	tower	_____
gate	_____	tunnel	_____
kiln	_____	wall	_____
lighthouse	_____	windmill	_____
other	cow pen		

4. Map. Draw sketch of structure location in relation to nearest cross streets, buildings, other structures, natural features. Indicate north.



5. Description

Date field stone walls, enclosing space

Source

Construction material fieldstone, walls
granite posts

Dimensions (irregular) perhaps 20'x40'

Setting built into side of hill, next to
drive of 1106, Mass. - 50' from street
Condition

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7. Original owner (if known) P.P.Pierce

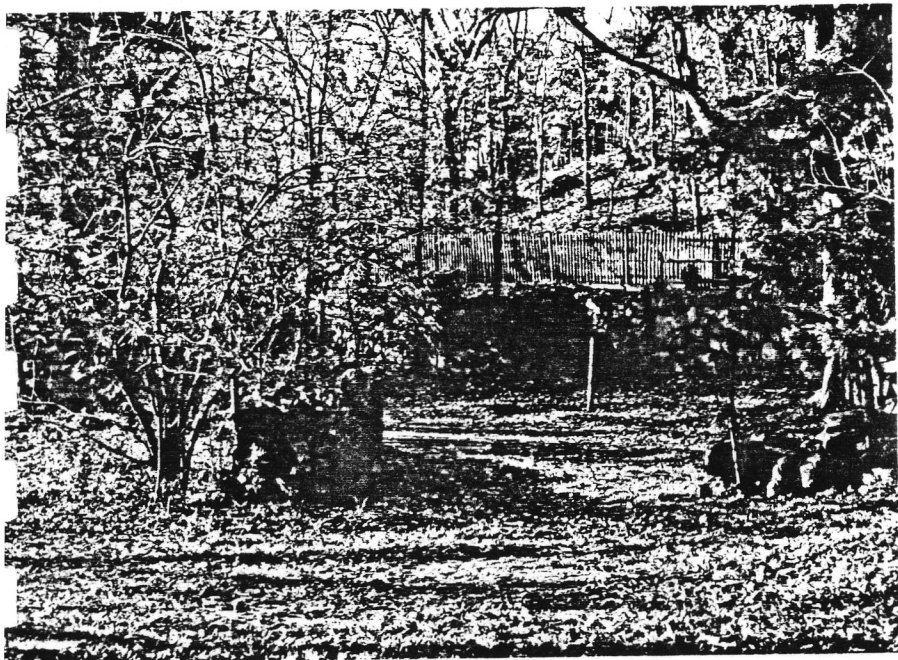
Original use cow pen

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Historical significance.

Pen used to contain cows before milking, going to pasture, or to keep near barn.
Connects with path up hillside.

P.P.Pierce was one of the largest dairymen in Lexington in the 19th century, at
a time when daryng was one of the chief occupations in the town.



9. Bibliography and/or references such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.